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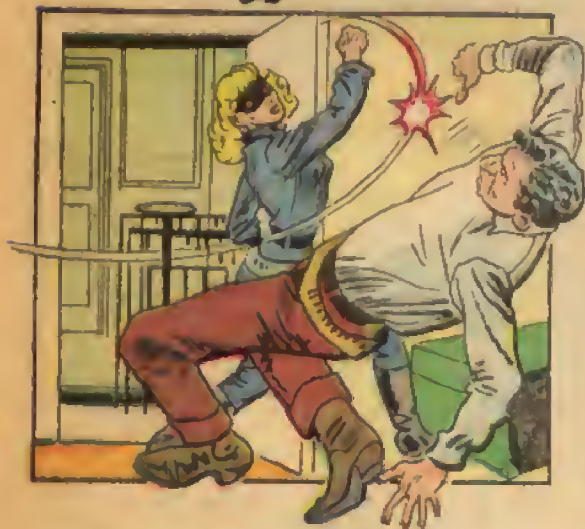
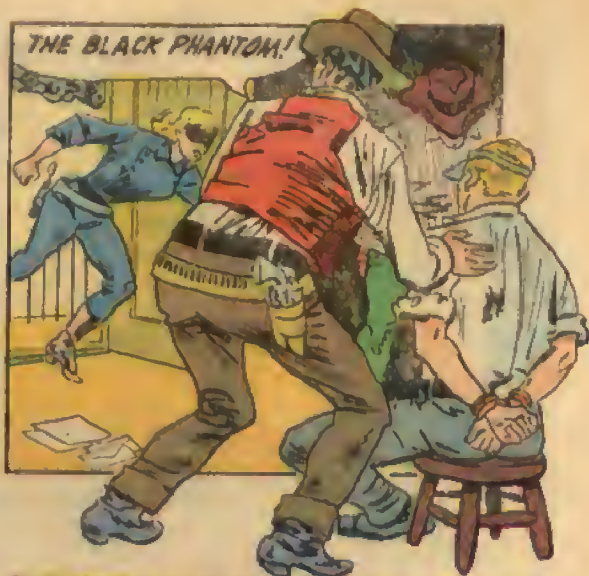


HELPLESS BEFORE A BLINDFOLDED BLACK PHANTOM, FORCED BY FATE AND A VICIOUS BAND OF OUTLAWS TO PRACTICE HER MARKSMANSHIP ON THE SPREADEAGLED LAW-MAN—REDMASK FACES DEATH! HIS POSITION IS A VOLUNTARY ONE. HE HAS COME INTO THE MOUNTAINS TO OFFER HIMSELF IN EXCHANGE FOR THE BLACK PHANTOM. NOW HE FINDS HIMSELF HELPLESS AND THE BLACK PHANTOM AS HIS EXECUTIONER, WHEN—

"DEATH WEARS A BLINDFOLD!"

THE UNION PACIFIC IS THUNDERING ALONG THE RAILS TOWARD SILVER CITY—







TWO ROPES SAIL SILENTLY THROUGH THE AIR—



AS REDMASK LANDS HARD ON HIS BACK—

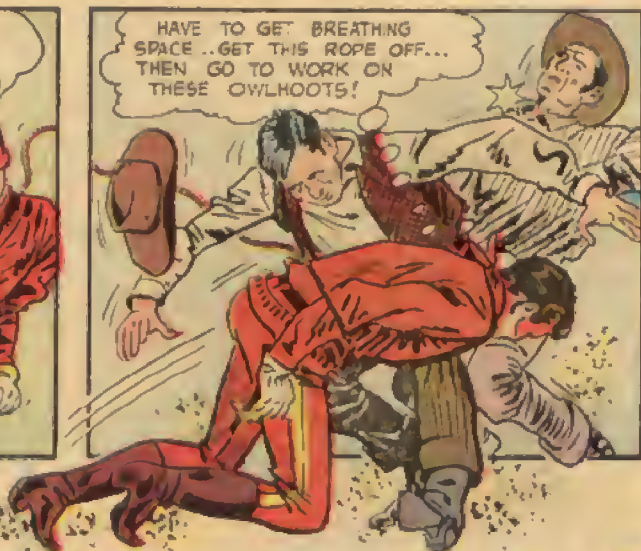


HEY!

YEAH! BUT NOT
HELPLESS ENOUGH!



HAVE TO GET BREATHING
SPACE...GET THIS ROPE OFF...
THEN GO TO WORK ON
THESE OWLHOOTS!



NOW, BOYS, LET'S PLAY
IT MY WAY!



I REALLY DON'T NEED A GUN—!

OW!





NUMB WITH SHOCK, AND DAZED, REDMASK IS DRAGGED ALONG THE HILL TRAIL —

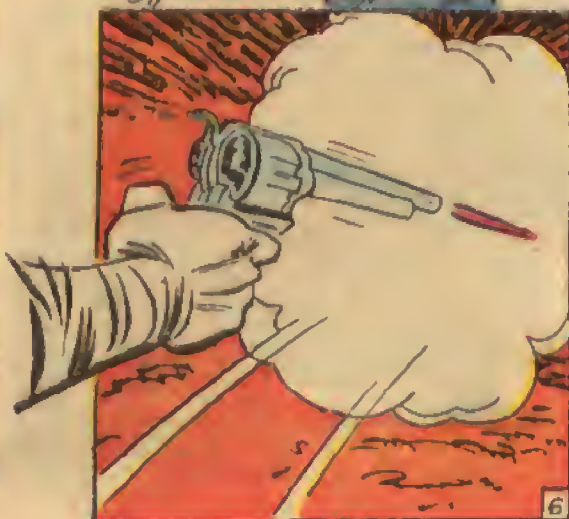


TO A MOUNTAIN CABIN —



IT'S ALMOST DAWN NOW. I GOT ME AN IDEA AS TO HOW WE CAN ALL HAVE SOME FUN! ALL OF US EXCEPT **REDMASK**, THAT IS!

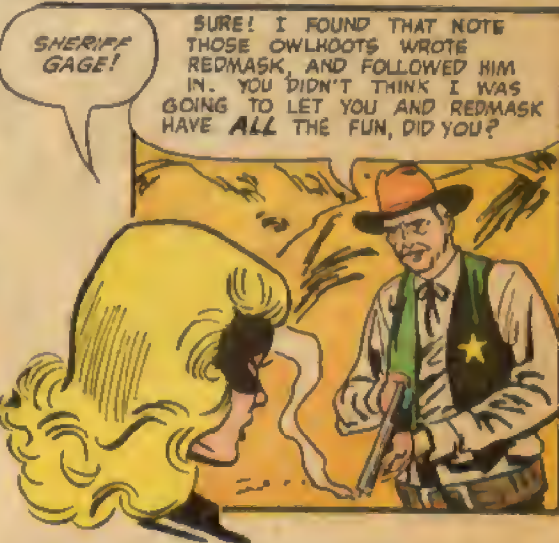




AT THE BLACK PHANTOM'S FIRST SHOT, THE ROPE SNAPS FROM REDMASK'S LEFT WRIST. HER SECOND SHOT FREES THE OTHER HAND!



TWO MORE SHOTS RING OUT. NOW REDMASK IS COMPLETELY FREED FROM THE TABLE!



THE
END

RED MASK

SHE WAS A LADY BULLFIGHTER IN THE LAZY LITTLE MEXICAN TOWN OF SONORA... SHE FACED DEATH DAILY FROM THE SHARP HORN AND POWERFUL HOOF OF THE GREAT BEAST! SHE FOUGHT THEN ONE AFTERNOON SHE FOUND HERSELF HELPLESS AGAINST THE FEROCITY OF THE MADENED BULL!

ONLY REDMASK COULD SAVE HER LIFE, FOR ONLY REDMASK KNEW THE STRANGE SECRET THAT LAY BETWEEN

"BEAUTY and the BEAST"

CAN I REACH HER IN TIME TO SAVE HER FROM THAT BULL...?



SUNLIGHT GLITTERS ON THE HORNS OF A POWERFUL MEXICAN BULL AS IT LOWERS ITS HEAD FOR THE CHARGE—



SUNLIGHT GLITTERS TOO FROM A TINY MIRROR HELD IN THE HAND OF A SPECTATOR! SUNLIGHT THAT BLINDS THE GIRL—!



THAT MIRROR—THE REFLECTED SUNLIGHT—BLINDING ME! I CAN'T SEE, AND THE BULL IS ON TOP OF ME—

AAAAHH



AS THE DEADLY HORNS HOOK UPWARD...



— A DARK SHADOW FALLS ACROSS THE SANDS OF THE BULLRING!



OHHR!

RELAX! I HAVE YOU!



YOU'LL BE ALL RIGHT HERE. BUT THAT BULL MIGHT HARM SOMEBODY IF HE RUNS FREE —



ONCE AGAIN REDMASK DROPS FROM HIS SWINGING LARIAT DOWN TOWARD THE MADDENED ANIMAL —



IN A FEW MOMENTS HE DROPS THE BEAST AS THE PICADORS COME RIDING TO HIS AID...

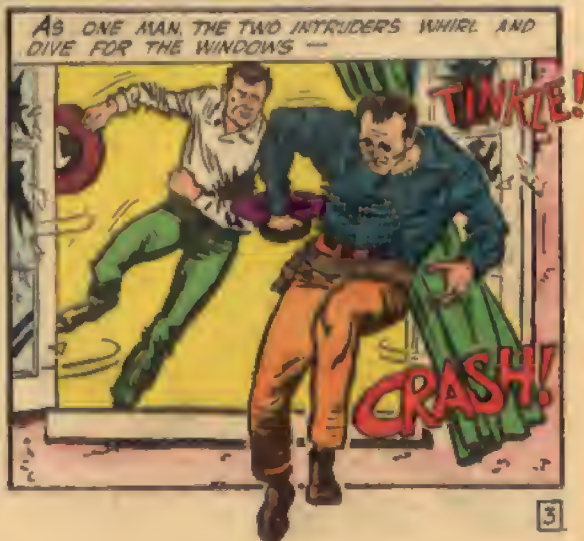


A LITTLE LATER —

I AM LUCKY THAT YOU HAPPENED TO BE HERE TODAY, REDMASK

I DIDN'T JUST HAPPEN TO BE HERE. I CAME TO SEE YOU. I *KNEW* YOU MIGHT BE MURDERED!





MOMENTS AFTER THE MEN HAVE GONE...

THEY WRECKED MY ROOM! LOOK AT IT!

BUT THEY DIDN'T **FIND** WHAT THEY WERE LOOKING FOR, BECAUSE THEY WERE STILL SEARCHING THE ROOM WHEN WE CAME IN!



WHAT IN THE WORLD WERE THEY SEARCHING FOR? I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING OF **VALUE**!

THEY WERE LOOKING FOR A MAP OR SOME CLUE TO A TREASURE WORTH AT LEAST TEN MILLION DOLLARS!

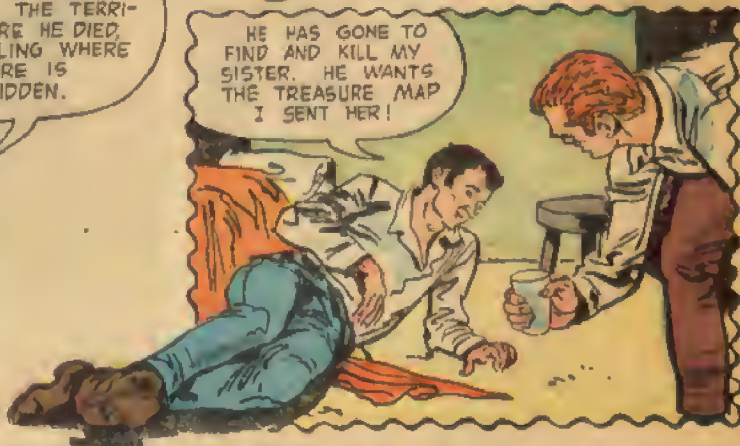


YOUR BROTHER, TOMAS MENDOZA, WAS AN OUTLAW. ONE DAY, WHILE FLEEING FROM A POSSE, HE FOUND A GREAT TREASURE. FOR HIS CRIMES IN MY COUNTRY HE WAS CAPTURED AND PUT IN THE TERRITORIAL JAIL. HE CLAIMED, BEFORE HE DIED, THAT HE SENT YOU A MAP, TELLING WHERE THAT TREASURE IS HIDDEN.



"HIS CELLMATE LEARNED ABOUT THE MAP AND THE TREASURE AND KNIFED TOMAS. THEN HIS CELLMATE ESCAPED FROM JAIL..."

HE HAS GONE TO FIND AND KILL MY SISTER. HE WANTS THE TREASURE MAP I SENT HER!



"THE TERRITORIAL GOVERNOR SENT FOR ME..."

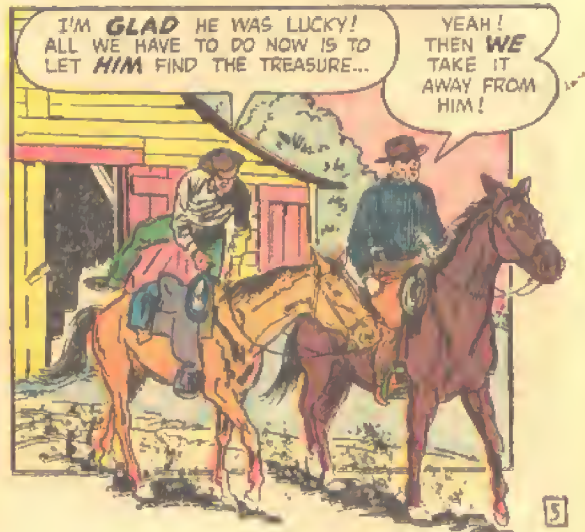
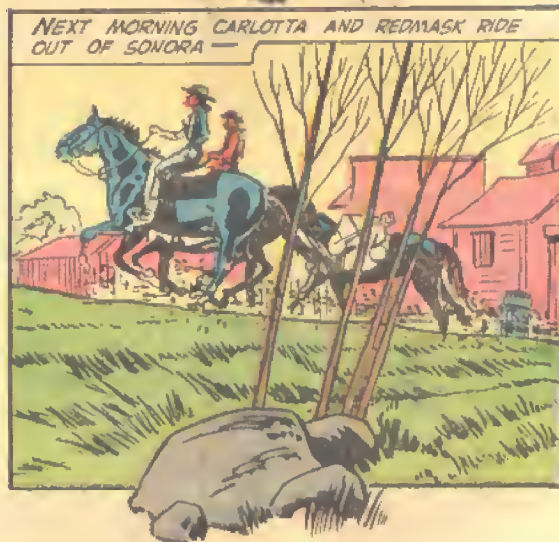
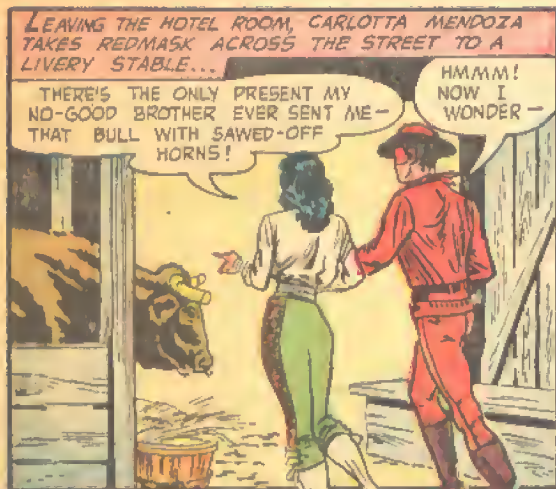
THE ONLY MAN WHO CAN GO INTO MEXICO AND SAVE THAT GIRL FROM BLACK JOE DANIELS, IS YOU, REDMASK!



THAT EXPLAINS WHY I'M HERE, WHY I WAS ABLE TO GRAB YOU FROM THE HORNS OF THAT BULL TODAY. THEY WANTED YOU OUT OF THE WAY SO THEY COULD SEARCH YOUR ROOM FOR THAT MAP. NOW LET'S SEE THE MAP!

BUT TOMAS NEVER **SENT** ME ANY TREASURE MAP!





FOR THREE DAYS, REDMASK AND CARLOTTA MENDOZA RIDE DEEP INTO THE SOYORA HILLS. ON THE MORNING OF THE FOURTH DAY—



ACCORDING TO THAT COIN MAP, THERE OUGHT TO BE A CAVE RIGHT THERE!

THERE IS A CAVE, REDMASK, LOOK!

I'LL GET THE KEROSENE LAMP!



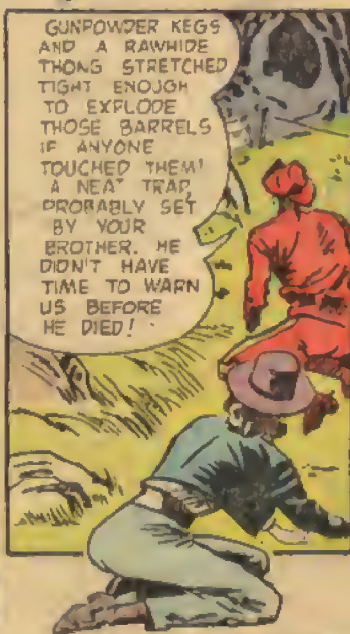
BUT AS THEY ARE ABOUT TO ENTER —

CARLOTTA—
DROP!

WHAT IS
IT?



GUNPOWDER KEGS AND A RAWHIDE THONG STRETCHED TIGHT ENOUGH TO EXPLODE THOSE BARRELS IF ANYONE TOUCHED THEM! A NEAT TRAP, PROBABLY SET BY YOUR BROTHER. HE DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO WARN US BEFORE HE DIED!



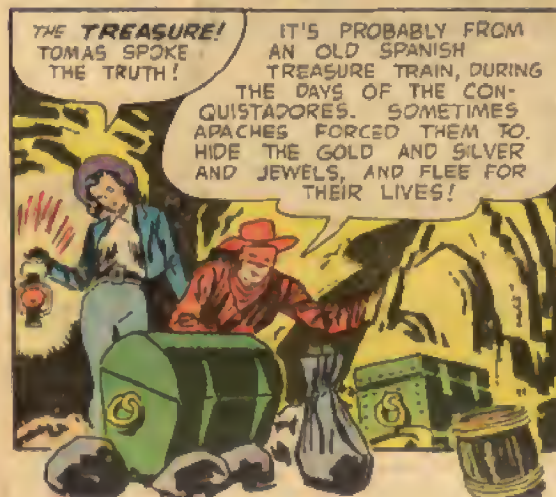
IN A MOMENT THE DEATH TRAP IS RENDERED HARMLESS...

NOW IT'S ALL RIGHT TO GO IN!



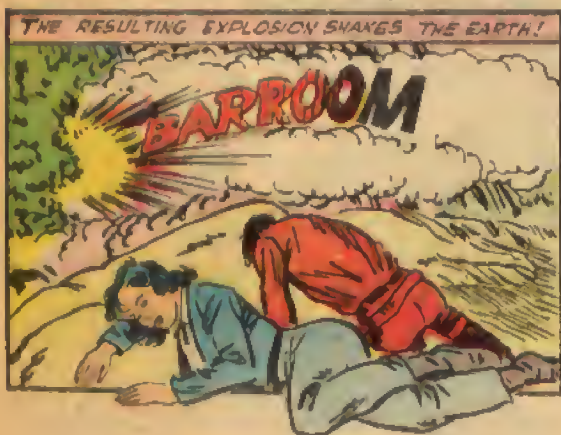
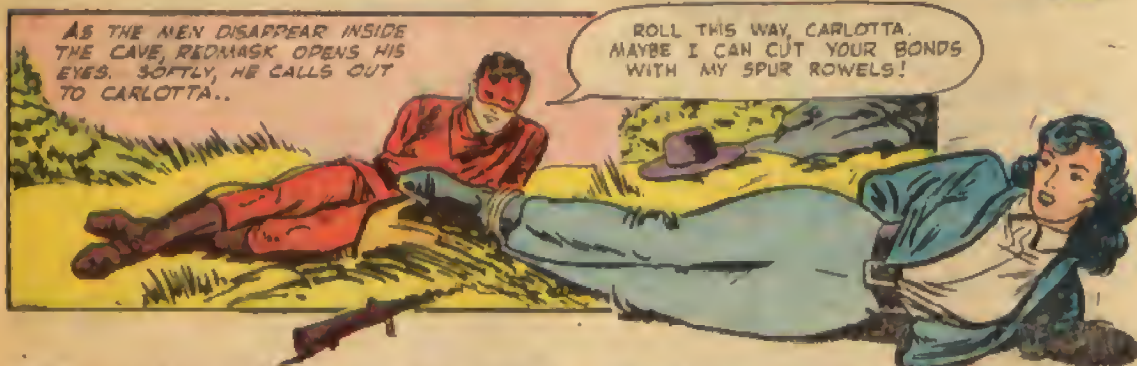
THE TREASURE!
TOMAS SPOKE
THE TRUTH!

IT'S PROBABLY FROM AN OLD SPANISH TREASURE TRAIN, DURING THE DAYS OF THE CONQUISTADORES. SOMETIMES APACHES FORCED THEM TO HIDE THE GOLD AND SILVER AND JEWELS, AND FLEE FOR THEIR LIVES!



YOU TWO
BETTER LIFT
YOUR HANDS
AND DROP YOUR
WEAPONS, IF YOU
WANT TO SAVE
YOUR LIVES!





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REDMASK'S CAVE

We do not have any pictures of REDMASK or, THE BLACK PHANTOM right now for distribution to our readers. However, we do have artists working on pen and ink sketches. When and if these become available for distribution—look for the news right here in the Cave!

To: Ted Mowers, Utica, New York

Your reminder that the BLACK PHANTOM and REDMASK were enemies before she "went straight"—and that there was no intermediate story connecting her with Redmask in a friendly way before she became his assistant—has been remedied! When you called our attention to this fact, a frantic search of our back issues took place. You were right! We had not revealed the manner in which Black Phantom did turn over a new leaf, and became a valuable agent of the law!

You will be glad to know that the story which explains this is in the present issue. Happy reading!

As far as your other questions go, Ted, our best advice is to write to your television and movie studios. In our file at the Cave, we keep only information about the old and the modern west, not about movies and television. I am sure you will understand this. Any questions concerning western movie stars and heroes should be directed to them personally in Hollywood or to their studios. However, I am sure that the stars you mention will continue to make more movies.

To: Ruth Brown, Camilla, Georgia; Mack Justus, Grandy, Virginia; D. R. Meanzie, Henderson, North Carolina; Jerry Pate, Lancaster, Pa.; Joseph Kroll, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Robert Eugene Moody, Indianapolis, Indiana; Edward Burns, Anoka, Minnesota.

The same answer I gave Ted Mowers goes for most of you writers-in above. The Cave is here to answer questions you might have about the west—NOT about movies and television.

However, we do try to please you all. What information we might have on hand we will pass along.

Charles Starrett is retired from making movies. That is why you no longer see him on the screen as THE DURANGO KID.

Yes, Sing Song does know the true identity of THE GHOST RIDER.

TIM HOLT'S horse is named Wrangler. The reason Tim is not appearing in so many movies at the present time is the fact that

he is busy with a new series of adventures to be shown on television. When he is not busy working on these pictures, he is hunting and fishing, or taking part in his traveling rodeo.

Most of the other cowboy stars also go hunting and fishing in their spare time. Many of them own ranches, and work hard at them, taking a sort of "busman's holiday."

Both GENE AUTREY and ROY ROGERS are still alive.

The worst outlaw of all time? Probably a toss-up between JESSE JAMES, BILLY THE KID and BUTCH CASSIDY.

THE CISCO KID is a fictional character created by O. Henry, and so any comparison between him and Gene Autrey is impossible.

We are sorry, but the Cave does not give out the addresses of moving picture stars. If you want to write to them, send your letters direct to them, in care of whatever studio they work for. These will be forwarded to them, and in due time, you will probably receive an answering letter.

Tim Holt enjoys being a movie star very much. He enjoys making pictures of the west, for he loves the west and the swift action and the great outdoors. He loves animals and enjoys riding good horses. Not only that, but the fact that he brings evil-doers to justice and so does his bit toward teaching the youngsters of America that crime does not pay, gives him a sense of satisfaction.

Most of the characters you read about in comic books are not real. Usually, when it is a true-life drama that is being shown, there is a blurb that states this is a real story.

For information about rodeos, write to the Rodeo Association of America.

To: Wayne Sage, Chickasha, Oklahoma

JACE PEARSON of the Texas Rangers appeared in a comic book and is a fictional character, unless otherwise stated in the story.

The word *diablo* in Spanish means devil.

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GHOST RIDER

THE

"WAGON LOAD OF DOOM!"



THE VAST STILLNESS OF THE WESTERN NIGHT IS SHATTERED BY PIERCING SCREAMS—

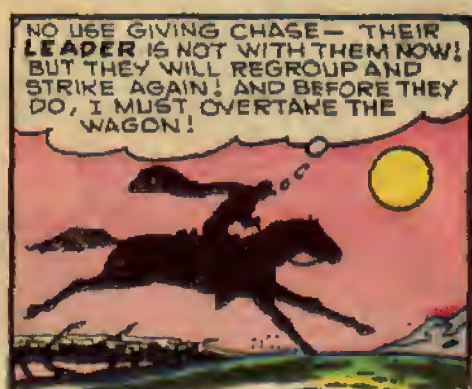
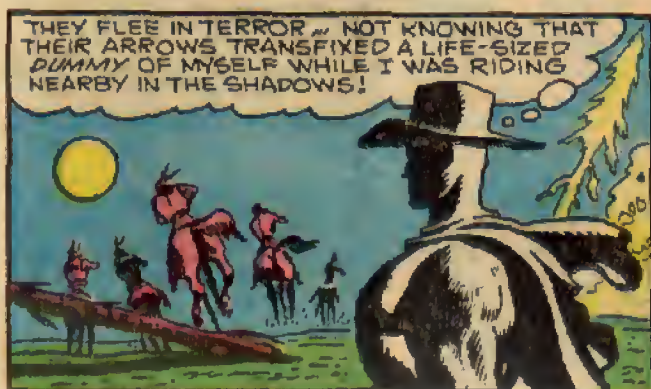
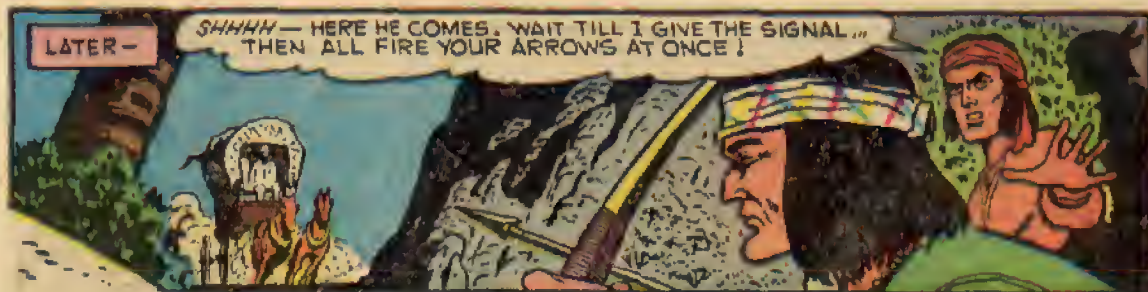
— THAT REACH THE EARS OF EVIL'S GRIMMEST FOE! AND THE GHOST RIDER SWINGS DOWN INTO ACTION!





I'M ART JONAS— TRAFFIC MANAGER OF THE SILVER STAR FREIGHT COMPANY. SO MANY OF OUR WAGONS HAVE BEEN STOPPED AND ROBBED LATELY, WE'RE IN DANGER OF LOSING OUR FRANCHISE! I WAS CHECKING THE SITE OF THE LAST ROBBERY JUST NOW WHEN THEY JUMPED ME— THEN YOU CAME ALONG!





NOW IT IS THE GHOST RIDER HIMSELF
ON THE WAGON SEAT!

THAT DRUMMING NOISE ... THOSE
MOVING SHADOWS! THE FIENDS
HAVE STRUCK AGAIN! THIS TIME
THEY HAVE STAMPED A HERD OF
WILD HORSES AT ME!



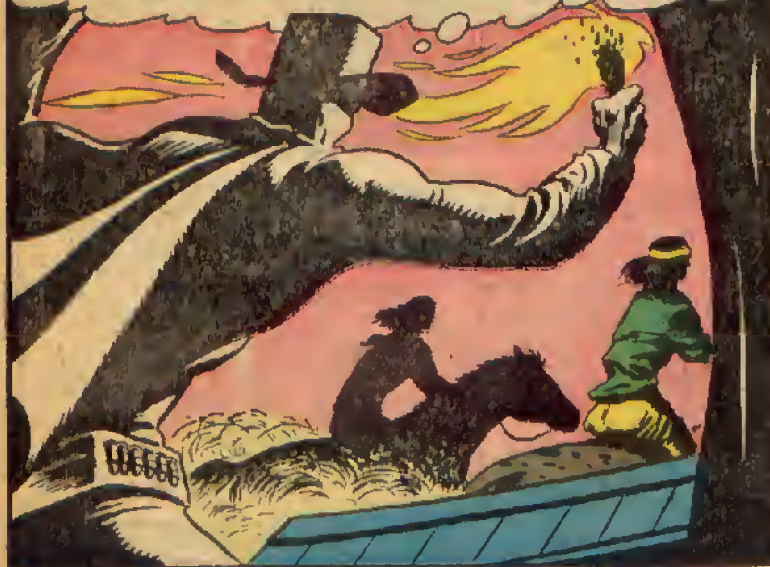
THESE TORCHES
THEY'RE MY ONLY
CHANCE!



THAT WAS CLOSE! THE FLAMING TORCHES HAVE
MADE THEM SWERVE JUST IN TIME!

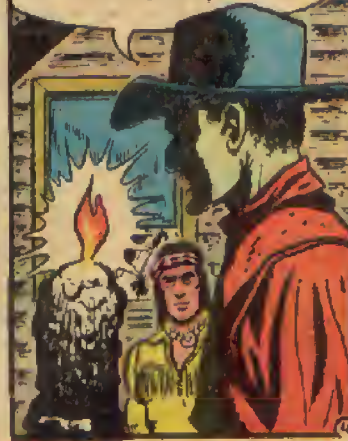


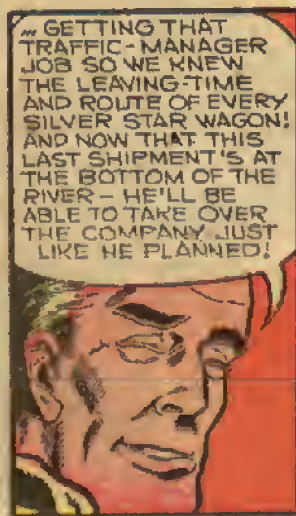
THEY FLEE AGAIN, FEARFUL THAT A SPARK FROM THIS
LAST TORCH WILL SEND THE WAGON SKYWARDS! AND
STILL THEIR EVIL LEADER IS NOT WITH THEM! BUT
THEY WILL STRIKE AGAIN ...!

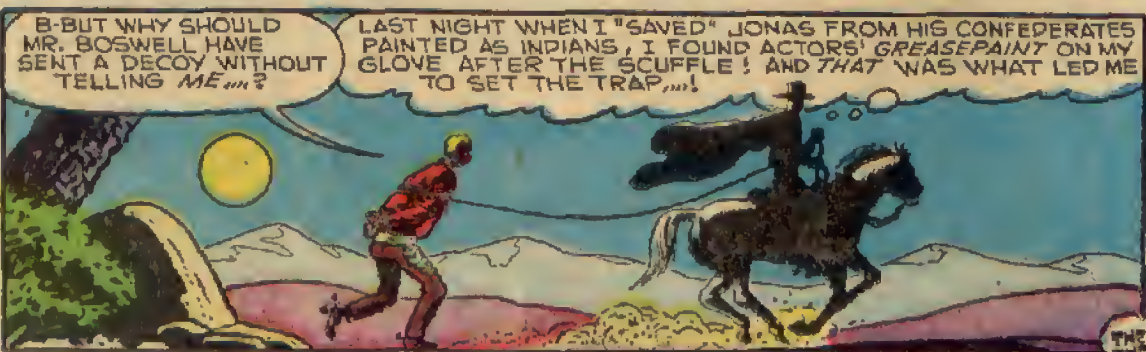
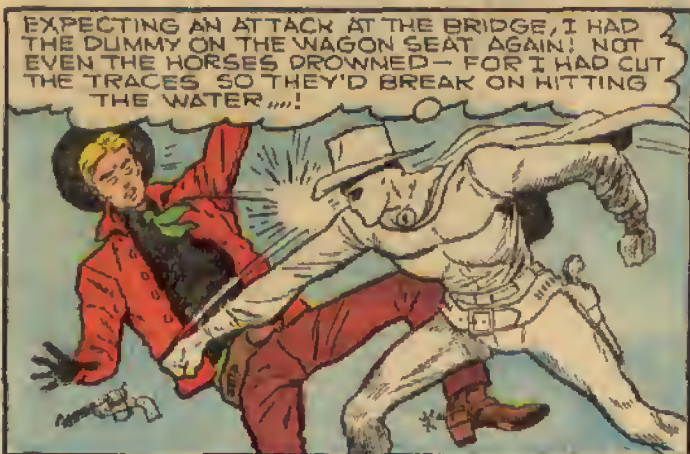
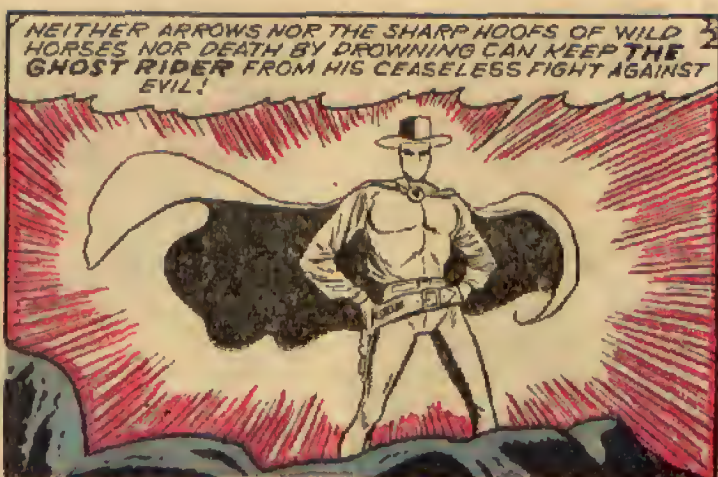


A SHORT TIME LATER —

WHAT?! YOU HAVEN'T
STOPPED HIM YET!
NOTHING EVER GOES
RIGHT IF I DON'T HANDLE
IT MYSELF! GET TO WORK
ON THAT BRIDGE UP
AHEAD! FAST — HE'LL
REACH IT IN LESS THAN
AN HOUR!







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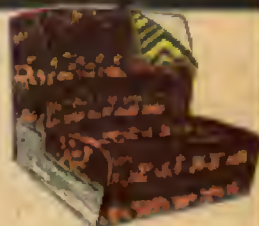
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To: Roger Breckenridge, Redwood Falls, Minnesota

The Black Phantom is not a real person, but fictional. THE CACTUS KID is also fictional.

To: Louis Tarver, Jr., Beaumont, Texas

WILD BILL HICKOK lies buried at Deadwood, South Dakota. There is a statue of Wild Bill done by James H. Riordan above the grave. This statue was erected in 1892. A marble headstone had been placed on the grave but so many visitors chipped off bits of it for souvenirs that the town fathers erected the statue and then placed a large steel cage over everything. CALAMITY JANE is buried next to Wild Bill, in the neighboring grave.

The story has it that Billy the Kid turned outlaw and so became entangled in the Lincoln County War to help a friend.

If Wild Bill Hickok were still alive today, in 1954, he would be 117 years old. He was born in 1837.

Jesse James, having been born in 1847, would be 107 years old.

To: Michael Goldman, Brooklyn, New York

Your idea for a REDMASK CLUB is a very good one, Michael. We could have a card of identity, perhaps in the shape of a scarlet mask, and could publish the names of the members in Redmask comic book. What do you readers of the Cave think? Would you like to have a Redmask Club? If so—deluge the editor under sacks and sacks of mail! We'll see what we can do about it!

To: Mary Alice Crowley, Chicago, Illinois

Bob Livingston was born in Jimsey, Illinois, 1908. Went to High School in Glenoble, California. He worked on a San Francisco newspaper, then went to sea. Later, he turned cowboy. He first worked for MGM. After his contract release, he became one of the "Three Mesquiteers."

To: Eleanor Oxley, St. John, N.B., Canada

A very good question, Eleanor. At one time, the palomino horse was a "freak," that could be born to any breed. American palominos are descended from the Spanish golden horses lost in the southwest centuries ago. However, ranchers and horse-breeders have been trying, with some success, to produce a strain of golden horses that will breed true. The true palomino has a gold coat and a long tail and mane of pure white.

To: Lionel Cuevas, Long Beach, Miss; Francine Brady, no address.

The wild horses in Utah are yours for the taking, if you can capture any of them.

To: Leland Winston, Lake Jackson, Texas

Our best advice to you would be to try to find a rodeo contestant and ask him to help you. It is very hard to advise anyone on horsemanship and rodeo work by printed page. You have to have a horse under you to learn properly! So do what you can to find someone who has been in rodeo contests, and listen to what he might have to say. Best of luck to you!

To: Rex Morrison, Ogdensburg, New York

You are quite right when you claim that the Indians of South America had a very elaborate civilization. THE INCAS were the proud possessors of a barbaric empire that roused the cupidity of such a great nation as Spain. In the year 1532, when Atahualpa met Pizarro, he and his men wore collars and bracelets and earrings of solid gold, ornamented in a manner that we now call Incan. Even though the Spaniards looted the Inca palaces of much gold and silver, we are now finding more and more art masterpieces in the Andes Mountains. Statues cut from pure copper and painted in cinabar, wooden earrings with feather decorations, solid walls of gold with magnificent carvings: all these and more reveal the extent of the Inca culture. With the Aztecs and Mayas, they rank as the most highly civilized of all Indian tribes.

To: Melissa French, Tallahassee, Fla.

The term "buckaroo" is really an Americanization of the Spanish word "vaquero," which means cowman.

To: Loren Pate, Calverton, New York

The parts of a saddle are these: the *kak*, where the rider sits, the *horn*, or *pommel*, the *cantle*, the *fork* on either side of the pommel, the leather *skirts* and front and rear *rigging*, leather *fender* and the *stirrup*. To fit the saddle onto the horse, there is the leather *cinch strap*, or *latigo*.

Keep the letters coming, boys and girls! We like to hear from you!

Best regards,
REDMASK

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RED MASK

SHE WAS AN OUTLAW LEADER, THIS GIRL BANDIT NAMED THE BLACK PHANTOM...AND IT REMAINED FOR REDMASK TO TEACH HER THE PROPER VALUES IN THE GAME OF LIFE, AND TO BRING ABOUT—

"THE REFORM OF THE BLACK PHANTOM"



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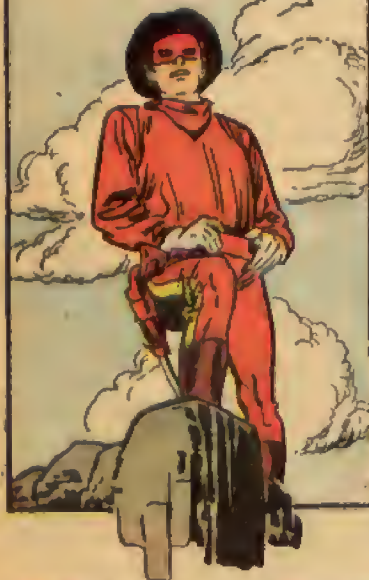
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HER GANG SMASHED, PURSUED TO HER MOUNTAIN HIDEOUT BY REDMASK, THE BLACK PHANTOM MAKES A BREAK FOR LIBERTY—

YOU'LL NEVER TAKE ME—
—NOT ALIVE!



SIGHE SHE'S GONE TO HER DEATH ON THE ROCKS BELOW. NOW I MUST FIND THE LOOT OF HER ROBBERIES...



IN A LITTLE WHILE, THE MEN WHO REMAIN AS PART OF THE BLACK PHANTOM'S GANG ARE HANDCUFFED AND TAKEN OFF TO JAIL. REDMASK IS FREE TO FINISH THE LAST TASK OF ALL...

NOW TO FIND THE BLACK PHANTOM AND BURY HER.

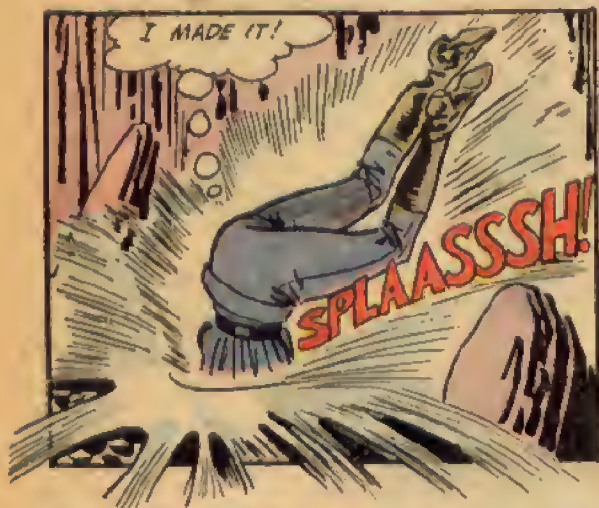


UNKNOWN TO THE CRIMSON CAVALIER IS THE FACT THAT, AS THE BLACK PHANTOM HURTLED DOWNWARD...

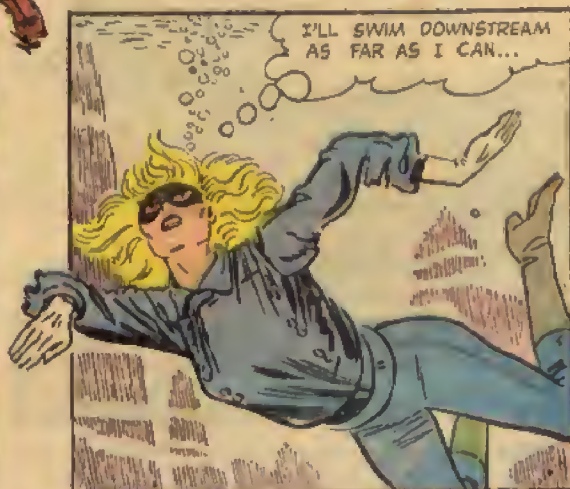


THE RECENT SPRING RAINS HAVE SWOLLEN THE CREEK BED. MY ONLY HOPE IS THAT THEY'RE **DEEP ENOUGH** TO LET ME MAKE A SHALLOW DIVE...!

I MADE IT!



I'LL SWIM DOWNSTREAM AS FAR AS I CAN...



REDMASK THINKS I'M DEAD. NOW I'LL MAKE MY WAY SOUTH ACROSS THE DESERT AND INTO MEXICO!



SOMWHAT LATER, A PUZZLED
REDMASK SCANS THE ROCKS OF
THE CREEK BED...

SURE IS FUNNY I HAVEN'T
FOUND THE BLACK PHANTOM'S
BODY. IT SHOULD TURN UP
SOMEWHERE AROUND HERE,
EVEN ASSUMING THE WATER
CARRIED—HOLD ON...!



A WET FOOTPRINT!
NO NEED FOR THE SPADE
NOW! SHE'S AS ALIVE
AS I AM—AND PROBABLY
LAUGHING UP HER SLEEVE
AT ME!



SHE'S ON FOOT. SHE CAN'T
GO FAR BEFORE I CATCH UP
TO HER. THE BLACK PHANTOM
WILL GO TO JAIL, WHETHER
SHE LIKES THE IDEA
OR NOT!



MEANWHILE, STUMBLING AND
FALLING IN EXHAUSTION, THE
BLACK PHANTOM PROCEEDS
SOUTHWARD—



IF I CAN ONLY REACH
THE BORDER I'LL BE
SAFE!

SUDDENLY—

IT'S HER, ALL RIGHT—
THE BLACK PHANTOM!

WHY IT'S LUKE AND
TWOGUN! TWO OF
MY GANG! I SURE
AM LUCKY TO RUN
INTO YOU!



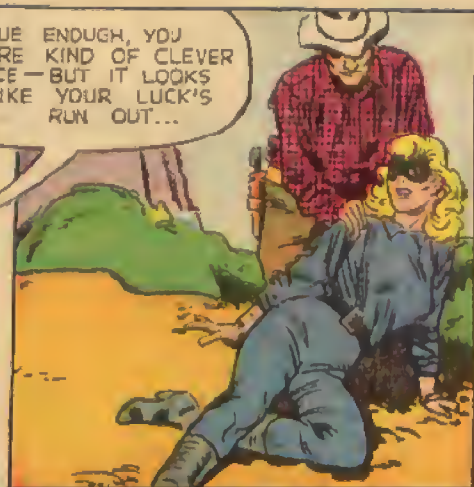
MEBBE YOU
AIN'T
AS LUCKY AS
YOU THINK!

YOU SURE AIN'T! YOU'VE
CAUSED US NOTHING BUT
TROUBLE. REDMASK BUSTED UP
OUR GANG AND GOT BACK
ALL OUR LOOT! AND THAT'S
ALL **YOUR** FAULT!





YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO RUN THINGS **YOUR** WAY... DIDN'T GIVE US CREDIT FOR HAVING ANY BRAINS AT ALL... AND LOOK HOW IT ENDED UP! SO I FIGURE YOU GOT TO PAY FOR THAT --



TRUE ENOUGH, YOU WERE KIND OF CLEVER ONCE -- BUT IT LOOKS LIKE YOUR LUCK'S RUN OUT...



LISTEN TWO-GUN I SAVED YOUR LIFE. ONCE... REMEMBER...?



THAT'S RIGHT, LUKE -- SHE DID... SO I CAN'T HARM HER! ...



A BLACK SHADOW FALLS ACROSS THE GROUND AS A RED FIGURE HURTLES DOWNWARD --

SUPPOSE **NOBODY** DOES, HEY?



YOU DIDN'T SAVE MY LIFE, REDMASK! I DON'T MIND KNOCKING **YOU** OFF...!









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